

AUG 09 2006

PTO/SB/22 (12-04)

Approved for use through 7/31/2008. OMB 0851-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2005 (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)		Docket Number (Optional) 8109.003:USDV	
Application Number 10/020,923		Filed December 19, 2001	
For METHODS FOR THE RAPID DETECTION OF ACTIVELY RESPIRING MICROORGANISM			
Art Unit 1645		Examiner Jana A. HINES	
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):			
	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	\$
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450	\$225	\$ 225.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1020	\$510	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1590	\$795	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080	\$
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.			
<input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.			
<input type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.			
<input type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <u>14-1437</u> I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.			
I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.			
<input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/98).			
<input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number _____			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.			
		Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 <u>36,902</u>	
_____ Signature		_____ Date	
_____ Typed or printed name		_____ Telephone Number	
NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Total of <u>1</u> forms are submitted.			

08/10/2006 MBINAS 00000014 10020923

02 FC:2252

225.00 0P